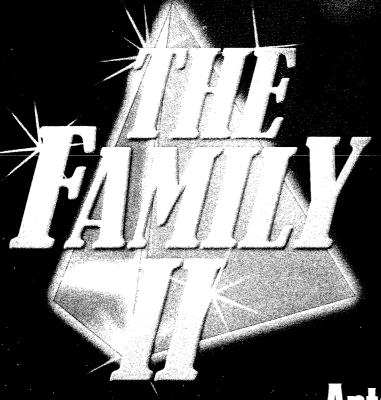


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Exhibit D

# Hife Her Death

From Antonne M. Jones, author of best sellers **The Family: A Philadelphia Mob Story** and **La Familia** comes the sequel

Every since Anthony was a little boy he was obsessed with the lifestyle of gangsters and wanted to travel down the same path. As he clawed his way to the top he came to realize "because of the duality of nature for every reward there is a cost". The price would be a dreadful trip to death row. After spending nearly a decade in lock up for twenty three hours a day the nearly impossible occurs. The U.S. Supreme Court overturned the death sentence and he is granted parole. Now in a race against time to regain what was lost, Anthony find himself between a rock and hard place.

However, desperate times call for desperate measures. The old crew was dismantled and replaced by a new wave of young desperado's making a name for themselves and taking over the streets of Philadelphia. The streets are calling him back but will Anthony choose the narrow path of legitimate Life or the broad and spacious road leading to Death?

"Perhaps only an African-American writer with deep Philadelphia roots and passions could succeed as Mr. Jones has in symbolizing a dark society through the acts of true to life gangsters. Also, in revealing how thin the line is that separates politicians from criminals.

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- 3. It's a Thin Line by Kimberla Lawson Roby (Kensington, \$23)\*
- 4. Four Guys and Trouble by Marcus Major (Dutton, \$23.95)\*
- 5. For the Love of Money by Omar Tyree (Simon & Schuster, \$24) (4)

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#### HARDCOVER NONFICTION

- 1. PowerNomics: A National Plan to Empower Black America by Claud Anderson, Ed.D. (PowerNomics Corp., \$31.95) (5)
- 2. Forced Into Glory by Lerone Bennett, Jr. (Johnson Publishing Co., \$35)\*
- 3. Until Today! by Iyanla Vanzant (Simon & Schuster, \$22) (3)
- 4. How to Make Black America Better by Tavis Smiley (Doubleday, \$21.95) (1)
- 5. Sacred Woman by Queen Afua (Ballantine, \$28)\*



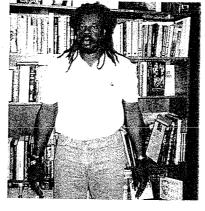
#### PAPERBACK FICTION

- 1. The Coldest Winter Ever by Sister Souljah (Pocket Books, \$6.99) (1)
- 2. Addicted by Zane (Strebor Books, \$15)\*
- 3. The Family by Anton M. Jones (Eldon Publishing, \$12.95)
- 4. True to the Game by Teri Woods (Meow Meow Productions, \$15)\*
- 5. The Sex Chronicles by Zane (Strebor Books, \$15)\*



#### PAPERBACK NONFICTION

- 1. Yesterday, I Cried by Iyanla Vanzant (Fireside, \$13)\*
- 2. Souls of My Sisters by Dawn Marie Daniels and Candace Sady (Kensington. \$15)\*
- 3. The Debt by Randall Robinson (Plume, \$13) (4)
- **4. The Mis-Education of the Negro** by Carter G. Woodson and Jawanza Kunjufu (African-American Images, \$14) (2)
- 5. Willie Lynch Letter by Kashif Malik Hassan-El (Lushena Books, \$3.95)



#### BOOKSTORE SPOTLIGHT ON

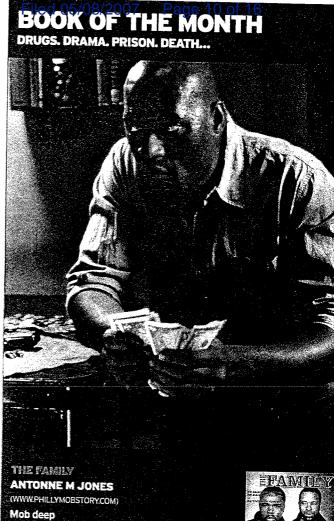
James Watson of Pyramid Books (Boynton Beach, Florida). He is currently reading *Hot Johnny* by Sandra Jackson-Opoku.

ABOUT THIS LIST: The ESSENCE Best-Sellers list is based on reports of retail sales. Respondents are African-American bookstores. Numbers in parentheses indicate last month's position. An asterisk indicates a debut title on this list.

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For the extended list, log on to essence.com.

Exhibit F



The gamut of emcees who'd like you to believe that their progression to the rap game – with all the relative legitimacy that implies – after lording it in the drug trade are legion. Look no further than this month's cover star, those exit wounds and that distinctive lisp a constant reminder of a more



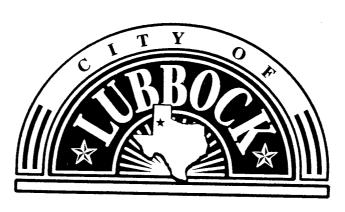
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nefarious past. Or think how Eazy-E allegedly bankrolled Ruthless Records and NWA on the back of his ill gotten drug profits.

It's a dichotomy that Jones tackles head on in *The Family*, as four young Philly guys pursue their dreams of ghetto glory. After a few faltering first steps pushing weed for meagre returns, the progression to coke dealing quickly changes everything. After hooking up an unbeatable deal with an out-of-town Colombian cartel, their business soon starts to bring in profits beyond their wildest dreams – and it's here the problems inevitably begin. Temptation, greed, envy and paranoia soon compound the short-term gains furnished by instant wealth, and it's not long before the incessant in fighting starts to end fatally. It reaches its grisly denouement as central character Anthony – a self-styled 'black John Gotti' – decides to opt out of the game for the sake of his young family. But crippled by greed, he wants one last big deal first. Guess the consequences.

Jones pens *The Family* in a breakneck style that keeps the pages turning swiftly – you can whip through this in an hour or two – though the odd clunky turn of phrase can stop you in your tracks. The plot itself is rock solid, though Jones' ultimately needs to put more flesh on the bones of his characters; and if the devil is in the details there's more than a few loose ends that need tying up. That said, it's easy to imagine this being tidled up by some hotshot screenwriter, such are its enduring cinematic resonances. And look out also for a couple of cameos from hip-hop artists who've more than flirted with the drugs trade, at least in their rhymes. Really, you couldn't make it up. *Barry Sugarman* 

Exhibit G



# **GREETINGS**

Be it hereby known that

# Antonne M. Jones

has, on this day, been made an

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film by Abdul Malik Abbot; directed by Abdul Malik Abbott.

Description: 5 film reels; 35 mm. Claimant: Lions Gate Films, Inc.

Created: 2002 Published: 18Jan02 Registered: 23Jun03

Title on © Application: Get down or lay down.

Author on © Application: Get Down Productions, Inc., employer for hire.

Previous Related Version: Screenplay prev. req. as "Get down or lay down" 2000, PAu 2-505-921.

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